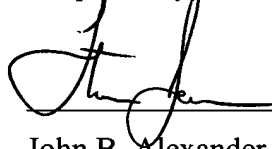


REMARKS

For the sole reason of reducing initial filing fees, claims 3, 6, 11, 15, 16, 20, 21, 24, 26-28, 30, 31, 39, 42-59, 62-74, 79-81, 85, 86, 89-91, and 93-97 have been cancelled without prejudice and claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7-10, 12, 13, 17-19, 22, 23, 25, 32, 34-39, 41, 49, 60, 75, 78, 87, 88, and 92 have been amended. Support for the amendments to the claims can be found in the claims as originally presented. The specification has been amended to include a cross reference to related applications. No new matter has been added by virtue of the amendments.

Early consideration and allowance of the application are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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